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Canadian Human Rights Commission
344 Slater Street, 8th Floor
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Re: Complaint of violation of section 13(1) by United Steelworkers Union Publications

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing to file a complaint regarding an alleged violation of section 13(1) the *Canadian Human Rights Act* as a result of publications communicated on the Internet by the United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 and United Steelworkers Union District 3. The publications include:

- 1) A text leaflet on the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 on the "News" page (Appendix A);
- 2) The homepage of the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 that has a link to the text leaflet described in 1) above in the word "News" in the top horizontal banner (Appendix B);
- 3) A PDF leaflet on the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 that shows the logo of United Steelworkers Union District 3 (Appendix C); and
- 4) The homepage of the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 that has a link to the PDF leaflet described in 3) above in the phrase "Nov16th 2012" within the first item under the "News" heading in the bottom left quarter of the page (Appendix D).

The appendices referred to above contain the relevant URLs for each of the publications.

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I submit that the publications contravene section 13(1) of the act because they are likely to create contempt for Chinese persons and in particular Chinese mining workers by alleging to the public or union members that they will work for reduced wages and in substandard conditions, thereby denying Canadians the opportunity to those jobs and/or adversely affecting the wages and working conditions that Canadians will be able to continue to expect for other similar or related jobs.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX A

A text leaflet on the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 on the "News" page

URL: <http://usw2009.ca/firstlevelsubmenutwo.htm>

Date: December 6, 2012

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usw2009.ca/firstlevelsubmenutwo.htm

Langley, BC V1M 3A6

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It's clear what's at stake. Speak out!

Tell the Premier to say NO to Chinese coal mines in BC.

Email Christy Clark: Premier@gov.bc.ca

Email Pat Bell: JTLMinister@gov.bc.ca

APPENDIX B

The homepage of the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009 that has a link to the above text leaflet in the word “News” in the top horizontal banner

URL: <http://usw2009.ca/default.htm>

Date: December 6, 2012




APPENDIX C

A PDF leaflet on the website of United Steelworkers Union Local 2009

URL: http://usw2009.ca/docs/tfw_mining_handout.pdf

Date: December 6, 2012

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B.C. JOBS FOR B.C. WORKERS

Stop the sellout of our province **NO CHINESE MINES IN BC**

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Representing workers in
manufacturing, steel
service centres and
foundries

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Welcome

United Steelworkers Local 2009 is based out of Langley, British Columbia. Our Local Union represents over 4000 members working in many industries including automotive

January 19, 2013

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING